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#### THE COUNTRY PAPERS AND THE FAIR.

The Portland Telegram, when it has nothing else to write about, has fallen into the habit of taking up "certain country papers" and lambasting them on account of their alleged failure to print gratis, "certain" stuff that is being sent out by the state board of the Lewis and Clark fair. By so doing the Telegram is playing the role of a very cheap advocate. If employed by the commissioners it is hardly earning its money. If not employed, for the sake of the fair, it would better save its space.

The facts are the "country papers" have done and are doing more than all other agencies combined for the 1905 fair. Without the support of the country press the half million dollar appropriation for the enterprise would not have passed the last legislature. Because of the friendly disposition shown by the country press the board is not warranted in still not only asking space but dictating what shall go into that space. Beggars cannot be choosers. When Lydia Pinkham asks for space it is sold to her with the privilege of furnishing her own copy. The fair board has put the Lewis and Clark fair on the same plane with Lydia Pinkham's pills and an appeal is made to country papers in sweet charity's name to advertise their wares. If left alone the country papers will support the fair, but they will do it in their own way. They are doing it now, with scarcely an exception. What the papers object to is the stuff sent out and the time it is sent. It is the practice with the board to let the Portland papers have anything of a newsy nature that occurs in connection with the fair, and the secretary, who is not a newspaper man, is instructed to send the left-over trash to the "country papers," and the "country press" is showing good judgment in rejecting it. News, not ancient history, is what the papers want, and if the state board of fair commissioners will furnish the country press with real

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live news at the same time it is given the metropolitan papers it will be accepted with thanks. The delayed uninteresting stuff it has been sending out will find its way to the wastebasket.

The Tacoma Ledger is certain the dispatch from San Francisco telling of the efforts of Harriman to maintain that city as the great part of the Pacific as against Seattle, meant Tacoma, rather than Seattle as the rival of San Francisco. And after admitting Tacoma is not afraid of rivalry and making a guest at Harriman's big shops, after all will be located at Tacoma, the Ledger proceeds to give its reasons, which, in the main, amusing as it may seem, applies to Astoria as against Tacoma. For instance, following the line of least resistance, this is the natural point for trade of the Northwest to concentrate; we have the shortest route to the Philippines and beyond, and facilities for transition from rail to water.

Thanks to the Ledger for calling public attention to our port advantages, but local bias should not be allowed to ascribe to Tacoma advantages possessed by Astoria only.

An Oakland divine, preaching on our "Public schools," asks a remedy for the present Godless trend, if he or other religionists be not allowed to intrude his or their sectarian ideas on the public schools. The answer seems simple. Bring into his church and convert the parents, and they will attend to the religious training of their children at home. In school they will be given the secular education this country provides a country that guarantees to each perfect liberty of conscience.

attempting to dictate to outside papers what character of stuff they shall run free in their columns.

There is an opportunity to get the Hatfield family of Kentucky, now headed this way, to settle in Oregon. They could be used as a drawing card at the 1905 fair.

"The Star-Spangled Banner" has been adopted as the national anthem. Surely the public is now entitled to a rest from the "Hawatha" whistlers.

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